

**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA**

**STANDING HEARING OFFICER DIRECTIVE**

**DOCKET NO. 2019-227-E ORDER NO. 2020-81-H**

**AUGUST 26, 2020**

**STANDING HEARING OFFICER: David Butler**

**DOCKET DESCRIPTION:**

**South Carolina Energy Freedom Act (House Bill 3659) Proceeding Related to S.C. Code Ann. Section 58-37-40 Integrated Resource Plans for Lockhart Power Company**

**MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION:**

**Request for Extension of Testimony Dates**

**STANDING HEARING OFFICER'S ACTION:**

Lockhart Power Company ("Lockhart" or "the Company") requests an extension of the existing testimony dates in this proceeding. Lockhart states that it is a small utility with limited staff resources, and is presently working on testimony due on August 28, 2020, as well as responding to requests for the production of documents served on Lockhart by the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") in this case. Lockhart proposes to move the scheduled testimony dates to allow its limited staff the time it needs to complete these tasks. The Company states that it has consulted with ORS, and ORS has no objection to extending the time for filing testimony to the schedule proposed by Lockhart. The Company asserts that the requested extension will not result in prejudice to any party, as it will allow additional time for all parties, and will not result in a delay of the hearing currently scheduled for December 8, 2020.

Lockhart proposes and requests the following modified prefile testimony dates:

**Applicant's Direct Testimony Due: September 18, 2020**

**Other Parties of Record Direct Testimony Due: October 16, 2020**

**Applicant's Rebuttal Testimony Due: November 6, 2020**

**Other Parties of Record Surrebuttal Testimony Due: November 30, 2020**

The proposed extension of testimony due dates is approved as shown above. No party is prejudiced by the extension, and the extension will not delay the scheduled hearing date. Further, ORS does not object. This ends the Standing Hearing Officer's Directive.